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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - EXPEDITED**  
**PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 2631**

Attorney's Docket No. RAL9-99-0110/4269-83

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Hwang et al.

Serial No. 09/430,501

Filed: October 29, 1999

For: **METHODS, SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR  
CARRIER DROP DETECTION USING A VARIABLE THRESHOLD**

Confirmation No. 7395

Group Art Unit: 2631

Examiner: Pankaj Kumar

Date: February 25, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL**

Sir:

Applicants provide the present response to address the issues raised in the Final Office Action mailed January 10, 2005 ("Final Action").

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s)-including fees for net addition of claims-are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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